## What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A broadcasting apparatus that broadcasts a specific
- 2 program to which a reproduction time period between a starting
- 3 time and a finishing time is specified, the reproduction being
- 4 performed by a receiving apparatus, the broadcasting apparatus
- 5 comprising:
- 6 allotment means for allotting a broadcasting bandwidth
- 7 for the reproduction time period to the specific program and
- 8 allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth for a preceding
- 9 time period immediately before the reproduction time period to
- 10 the specific program and the other part of the broadcasting
- 11 bandwidth to other program; and
- 12 transmission means, in accordance with the result of
- 13 allotment by the allotment means, for (a) repeatedly
- 14 transmitting program data of the other program while
- 15 transmitting program data of the specific program in the
- 16 preceding time period, and (b) repeatedly transmitting the
- 17 program data of the specific program in the reproduction time
- 18 period.
  - 1 2. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 1,
- 2 wherein the allotment means sets a starting time of the
- 3 preceding time period as a first time and a time included in
- $4\,$   $\,$  between the first time and the starting time of the reproduction
- 5 time period as a second time, and
- 6 the allotment means (a)allots a broadcasting bandwidth
- 7 not broader than a predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the

- 8 specific program from the first time to the second time, and
- 9 (b)allots a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the
- 10 predetermined broadcasting to the specific program from the
- 11 second time to the finishing time of the reproduction time
- 12 period.
- 1 3. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2,
- wherein the transmission means transmits the program data

having a second ID of the specific program for the preceding

- 4 time period, and repeatedly transmits control data as well as
  - the program data for the reproduction time period, and
- 6 the control data has a first ID and includes instructions
- 7 for the receiving apparatus, when the receiving apparatus
- 8 receives the program data having the second ID, to cache and
- 9 reproduce the program data,
- 10 wherein a program data having the first ID must be taken
- 11 in by the receiving apparatus, and the second ID is different
- 12 from the first ID.
- 1 4. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2,
- wherein the program data for the specific program is
- 3 classified into (a) a first type program data and (b)a second
- 4 type program data which is different from the first type program
- 5 data at least in part, and
- 6 the transmission means transmits the first type program
- 7 data for a duration from the first time to the starting time
- 8 of the reproduction time period, and transmits the second type

- 9 program data for a duration from the second time to the finishing
- 10 time of the reproduction time period.
- 1 5. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2, further
- 2 comprising:
- 3 means for transmitting a cache instruction message before
- 4 the starting time of the reproduction time period of the
- 5 specific program,
- 6 wherein the cache instruction message instructs the
- 7 receiving apparatus to cache the received program data of the
  - specific program.
- 1 6. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2.
- wherein the program data of the other programs which is
- 3 repeatedly transmitted by the transmission means in the
- 4 preceding time period includes an instruction for the receiving
- 5 apparatus, when the receiving apparatus receives the program
- 6 data of the specific program, to cache the program data.
- 1 7. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2, further
- 2 comprising:
- 3 means for repeatedly transmitting a cache instruction
- 4 message at a time interval that is not longer than a transmission
- ${f 5}$  period of the program data of the specific program before the
- 6 starting time of the reproduction time period of the specific
- 7 program,
- 8 wherein the cache instruction message instructs the

- 9 receiving apparatus to cache the received program data of the
- 10 specific program.
- 1 8. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2, further
- 2 comprising:
- 3 means for transmitting a reproduction instruction
- $4\,\,\,$  message at the starting time of the reproduction time period
- 5 of the specific program,
- 6 wherein the reproduction instruction message instructs
- 7 the receiving apparatus to reproduce the recorded program data
- 8 of the specific program immediately after receiving the
- 9 message.
- 1 9. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2, further
- 2 comprising:
- 3 means for transmitting a reproduction instruction
- 4 message before the starting time of the reproduction time period
- 5 of the specific program,
- 6 wherein the reproduction instruction message instructs
- 7 the receiving apparatus to reproduce the recorded program data
- 8 of the specific program at the starting time of reproduction
- 9 time period of the specific program.
- 1 10. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2, further
- 2 comprising:
- 3 means for transmitting a deletion instruction message at
- 4 the finishing time of the reproduction time period of the

5 specific program,

6 wherein the deletion instruction message instructs the 7 receiving apparatus to delete the recorded program data of the 8 specific program immediately after receiving the message.

The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2 further comprising:
 means for transmitting a deletion instruction message
 before the finishing time of the reproduction time period of
 the specific program,

wherein the deletion instruction message instructs the receiving apparatus to delete the recorded program data of the specific program at the finishing time of the reproduction time period of the specific program.

The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2 further comprising: 12. 2 table data transmission means for transmitting table data before the starting time of the reproduction time period of the 3 specific program, wherein the table data includes information 4 5 on correspondences between instructions to cache, reproduce, and delete the program data of the specific program and 6 7 instruction IDs that are assigned for the instructions; 8 first message transmission means for transmitting a first message before the starting time of the reproduction time period 9 of the specific program, wherein the first message consists of 10 11 an instruction ID that identifies the cache instruction and a program ID that identifies the program data of the specific 12 13 program;

second message transmission means for transmitting a second message at the starting time of the reproduction time period of the specific program, wherein the second message consists of an instruction ID that identifies the reproduction instruction and a program ID that identifies the program data of the specific program; and

third message transmission means for transmitting a third message at the finishing time of the reproduction time period of the specific program, wherein the third message consists of an instruction ID that identifies the deletion instruction and a program ID that identifies the program data of the specific program.

13. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2, further comprising:

table data transmission means for transmitting table data
before the starting time of the reproduction time period of the
specific program, wherein the table data includes information
on correspondences between instructions to cache, reproduce,
and delete the program data of the specific program and data
IDs for identifying the instructions;

9 first data transmission means for transmitting a first
10 data before the starting time of the reproduction time period
11 of the specific program, wherein the first data has a data ID
12 which identifies the cache instruction as an instruction to be
13 executed by the receiving apparatus;

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15 data at the starting time of the reproduction time period of
16 the specific program, wherein the second data has a data ID which
17 identifies the reproduction instruction as an instruction to
18 be executed by the receiving apparatus; and

third data transmission means for transmitting a third data at the finishing time of the reproduction time period of the specific program, wherein the third data has a data ID which identifies the deletion instruction as an instruction to be executed by the receiving apparatus.

14. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2,

wherein the time period between the second time and the
starting time of the reproduction time period and the allocated
broadcasting bandwidth for transmitting the program data of the
specific program from the second time to the starting time of
the reproduction time period are necessary for transmitting
data whose data size is larger than the data size of the program

The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2,

data of the specific program.

wherein the allotment means allots a narrower bandwidth
for transmitting the program data for the specific program from
the second time to the starting time of the reproduction time
period of the specific program than a bandwidth for transmitting
the program data from the starting time to the finishing time
of the reproduction time period.

1 16. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 2,

wherein the allotment means allots a fixed broadcasting

- 3 bandwidth to the specific program from the first time to the
- 4 second time.
- 1 17. A broadcasting apparatus that transmits a data
- ${f 2}$  broadcasting program and a first and a second specific programs
- 3 which are interposed in the data broadcasting program, the
- 4 broadcasting apparatus comprising:
- 5 allotment means for
- 6 (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time

- 9 second time period are included in a total time period between
- 10 a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data
- 11 broadcasting program, and
- 12 (b) allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the
- 13 first and the second specific programs and the other part of
- $14\,$   $\,$  the broadcasting bandwidth to the data broadcasting program for
- 15 all of time periods other than the first and the second time
- 16 periods in the total time period;
- 17 instruction generation means for generating a first
- 18 storage instruction and a second storage instruction that
- 19 instruct the receiving apparatus to store a program data for
- 20 the first specific program and a program data for the second
- 21 specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus,
- 22 respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction

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and a second reproduction instruction that instruct a receiving
apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first specific
program and the program data for the second specific program,
respectively, in case that the program data for the first
specific program and the program data for the second specific
program have been stored in the storing unit;

transmission means for repeatedly transmitting the program data of each of the data broadcasting program, the fist specific program, and the second specific program in accordance with the result of allotment by the allotment means; and

control means for controlling the transmission means so as to transmit (a) a plurality of the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b) the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first time period, (c) a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, and (d) the second reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time period.

- 1 18. The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 17,
- 2 wherein the allotment means allots
- 3 (a) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than a
- 4 predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
- 5 first specific program for the first time period,
- 6 (b)a broadcasting bandwidth not broader than the
- 7 predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
- 8 second specific program for the second time period,
- 9 (c)a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the

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10 predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
11 first specific program for a time period other than the first
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(d) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the
predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
second specific program for a time period other than the second
time period in the total time period.

wherein the allotment means allots

(a) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than a predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the first specific program for the first time period and a time

The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 17,

6 period immediately before the first time period,

7 (b) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than the
8 predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
9 second specific program for the second time period and a time
10 period immediately before the second time period,

(c)a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the first specific program for a time period other than the first time period and the time period immediately before the first time period in the total time period, and

(d) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the
predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
second specific program for a time period other than the second
time period and the time period immediately before the second

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- 1 20. A broadcasting apparatus that transmits a data
- 2 broadcasting program and a first and a second specific programs
- 3 which are interposed in the data broadcasting program, the
- 4 broadcasting apparatus comprising:
- 5 allotment means for
  - (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time period and a second time period to the first specific program and the second specific program, the first time period and the second time period are included in a total time period between a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data broadcasting program, and
  - (b) allotting (1) a broadcasting bandwidth to the data broadcasting data program in the total time period except for the first time period and the second time period, (2) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the first specific program for a time period preceding to the first time period in the total time period, and (3) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the second specific program for a time period preceding to the second time period in the total time period;

instruction generation means for generating a first
storage instruction and a second storage instruction that
instruct a receiving apparatus to store a program data for the
first specific program and a program data for the second
specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus,
respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction

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and a second reproduction instruction that instruct the receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program, respectively, in case that the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second 30 specific program have been stored in the storing unit; 31 transmission means for repeatedly transmitting the 32 program data of each of the data broadcasting program, the fist 33 specific program, and the second specific program in accordance 34 with the result of allotment by the allotment means; and control means for controlling the transmission means so as to transmit (a) a plurality of the first storage instructions 37 before the first time period, (b)a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, (c)the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first

The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 20, 21. 1

starting time of the second time period.

- wherein the allotment means allots 2
- (a) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than a 3
- predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the 4

time period, and (d) the second reproduction instruction at the

- first specific program for the first time period, 5
- (b) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than the 6
- predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the 7
- second specific program for the second time period, 8
- (c) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the 9

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predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the first specific program for a time period preceding to the first time period in the total time period, and

(d) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the second specific program for a time period preceding to the second time period in the total time period.

wherein the allotment means allots

(a) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than a predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the first specific program for the first time period and a time

The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 20,

period immediately before the first time period,

- 7 (b) a broadcasting bandwidth not narrower than the
  8 predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
  9 second specific program for the second time period and a time
  10 period immediately before the second time period,
- (c) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the

  predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the
  first specific program for a time period preceding to the first

  time period and the immediately preceding period to the first

  time period in the total time period, and
  - (d) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program data of the second specific program for a time period preceding to the second time period and the immediately preceding period to the

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second time period in the total time.

allotment means for

2 23. A broadcasting apparatus that transmits a program block which is composed of a data broadcasting program and a program or two or more successive programs which are interposed in the data broadcasting program, wherein a reproduction time period between a starting time and a finishing time is specified to each of the data broadcasting program and programs included in the program block and the reproduction is performed by a receiving apparatus, the broadcasting apparatus comprising:

(a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth from a first time to the starting time of the reproduction time period of the leading program included in the specific program block to the data broadcasting program and all of the programs included in the specific program block, and

(b)allotting the broadcasting bandwidth for a reproduction time period of each program included in the specific program block to the program and the following programs included in the same program block,

wherein the first time is a time in the reproduction time period of the data broadcasting program and which satisfies a condition so as not to interpose the other program blocks between the first time and the specific program block;

instruction generation means for generating a storage instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to store a program data of each program included in the specific program

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block in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, and 26 generating a reproduction instruction that instructs the 27 receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data, in case that 28 the program data of each program has been stored in the storing 29 unit: 30

transmission means for repeatedly transmitting the program data of the data broadcasting program and each program included in the specific program block in accordance with the result of allotment by the allotment means; and

control means for controlling the transmission means so as to transmit a plurality of the storage instructions for each program included in the specific program block before the starting time of the reproduction time period of the program, and transmit the reproduction instruction for the program at the starting time of the reproduction time period of the program.

- The broadcasting apparatus of Claim 23, 1
- wherein the allotment means allots (a) a broadcasting 2
- bandwidth not narrower than a predetermined broadcasting 3
- bandwidth to each program included in the specific program block 4
- for a reproduction time period of each program, and (b) a 5
- broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the predetermined 6
- broadcasting bandwidth to each program for a time period other 7
- than the reproduction time period. 8
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wherein the allotment means allots (a) a broadcasting
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bandwidth to each program included in the specific program block
for a time period between a time immediately before the starting
time of the reproduction time period of the program and the
finishing time of the reproduction time period of the program,
and (b) a broadcasting bandwidth narrower than the

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other time periods.

wherein in case that a first program and a second program which follows the first program are included in the program block,

predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the program for the

the allotment means determines a broadcasting bandwidth
which is allocated to each of the first program and the second
program for a first through a third transmission time periods
in the following manner:

wherein the first through the third transmission time periods are time periods which are divided by the first time, a second time, the finishing time of the reproduction time period of the first program, and the finishing time of the reproduction time period of the second program in the stated order.

wherein the second time is a time for the reproduction time period of the data broadcasting program,

the allotment means allots (a) a broadcasting bandwidth

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not broader than a predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the 18 first and the second programs for the first transmission time 19 20 period.

(b) a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the first program and a broadcasting bandwidth not broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the second program for the second transmission period, and

(c) a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the second program for the third transmission time period.

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wherein in case that a first program and a second program which follows the first program are included in the program block, 4

the allotment means determines a broadcasting bandwidth 5 which is allocated to the first program and the second program 6 for a first through a fourth transmission time periods in the 7

8 following manner:

wherein the first through the fourth transmission time 9 periods are time periods which are divided by the first time, 10 a second time, a third time, the starting time of the 11 reproduction time period of the second program, and the

finishing time of the reproduction time period of the second 13

program in the stated order, 14

wherein the second time is a time in the reproduction time

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16 period of the data broadcasting program, and the third time is
17 a time in the reproduction time period of the first program,
18 the allotment means allots

- (a) a broadcasting bandwidth not broader than a predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the first and the second programs for the first transmission time period,
  - (b) a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the first program and a broadcasting bandwidth not broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the second program for the second transmission period,
  - (c) a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the first program and a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the second program for the third transmission time period, and
- 32 (d) a broadcasting bandwidth broader than the 33 predetermined broadcasting bandwidth to the second program for 34 the fourth transmission time period.
  - 1 28. A broadcasting method for broadcasting a specific program
  - 2 to which a reproduction time period between a starting time and
  - 3 a finishing time is specified, the reproduction being performed
- 5 the steps of:
- 6 an allotment step for allotting a broadcasting bandwidth
- 7 for the reproduction time period to the specific program and

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8 allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth for a preceding

9 time period immediately before the reproduction time period to

10 the specific program and the other part of the broadcasting

11 bandwidth to other program; and

a transmission step, in accordance with the result of allotment in the allotment step, for (a) repeatedly transmitting program data of the other program while transmitting program data of the specific program in the preceding time period, and (b) repeatedly transmitting the program data of the specific program in the reproduction time period.

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broadcasting program and a first specific program and a second specific program which are interposed in the data broadcasting program, the broadcasting method comprising the steps of:

an allotment step for

6 (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time 7 period and a second time period to the first specific program 8 and the second specific program, the first time period and the 9 second time period are included in a total time period between 10 a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data 11 broadcasting program, and

12 (b) allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the
13 first and the second specific programs and the other part of
14 the broadcasting bandwidth to the data broadcasting program for
15 all of time periods other than the first and the second time
16 periods in the total time period;

an instruction generation step for generating a first storage instruction and a second storage instruction that instruct the receiving apparatus to store a program data for the first specific program and a program data for the second specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction and a second reproduction instruction that instruct a receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program, respectively, in case that the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program have been stored in the storing unit; and

a transmission step for transmitting (a)a plurality of the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b) the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first time period, (c)a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, and (d) the second reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time period, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of each of the data broadcasting program, the first specific program, and the second specific program in accordance with the result of allotment in the allotment step.

- 1 30. A broadcasting method for transmitting a data
- 2 broadcasting program and a first specific program and a second
- 3 specific program which are interposed in the data broadcasting
- 4 program, the broadcasting method comprising the steps of:

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an allotment step for

- (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time 6 period and a second time period to the first specific program 7 and the second specific program, the first time period and the 8 second time period are included in a total time period between 9 a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data 10 broadcasting program, and 11
  - (b) allotting (1) a broadcasting bandwidth to the data broadcasting data program in the total time period except for the first time period and the second time period, (2) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the first specific program for a time period preceding to the first time period in the total time period, and (3) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the second specific program for a time period preceding to the second time period in the total time period;

an instruction generation step for generating a first storage instruction and a second storage instruction that instruct a receiving apparatus to store a program data for the first specific program and a program data for the second 23 specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, 24 respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction 25 and a second reproduction instruction that instruct the 26 receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first 27 specific program and the program data for the second specific 28 program, respectively, in case that the program data for the 29 first specific program and the program data for the second 30 specific program have been stored in the storing unit; and 31

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a transmission step for transmitting (a)a plurality of 32 33 the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b)a plurality of the second storage instructions before the 34 second time period, (c) the first reproduction instruction at 35 36 the starting time of the first time period, and (d) the second 37 reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time 38 period, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of each of the data broadcasting program, the fist specific program, 39 and the second specific program in accordance with the result 40 41 of allotment in the allotment step.

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2 which is composed of a data broadcasting program and a program
3 or two or more successive programs which are interposed in the
4 data broadcasting program, wherein a reproduction time period
5 between a starting time and a finishing time is specified to
6 each of the data broadcasting program and programs included in
7 the program block, the broadcasting method comprising the steps
8 of:

9 an allotment step for

(a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth from a first time to the starting time of the reproduction time period of the leading program included in the specific program block to the data broadcasting program and all of the programs included in the specific program block, and

(b)allotting the broadcasting bandwidth for a reproduction time period of each program included in the

specific program block to the program and the following programs included in the same program block,

wherein the first time is a time in the reproduction time period of the data broadcasting program and which satisfies a condition so as not to interpose the other program blocks between the first time and the specific program block;

an instruction generation step for generating a storage instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to store a program data of each program included in the specific program block in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, and generating a reproduction instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data, in case that the program data of each program has been stored in the storing unit;

a transmission step for transmitting a plurality of the storage instructions for each program included in the specific program block before the starting time of the reproduction time period of the program, and transmitting the reproduction instruction for the program at the starting time of the reproduction time period of the program, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of the data broadcasting program and each program included in the specific program block in accordance with the result of allotment in the allotment step.

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- 2 computer in a broadcasting apparatus, the broadcasting
- 3 apparatus broadcasts a specific program to which a reproduction

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time period between a starting time and finishing time is 4 specified, the reproduction being performed by a receiving 5 apparatus, the computer program embodied on the program 6 recording medium has the computer conduct the steps of: 7 an allotment step for allotting a broadcasting bandwidth 8 for the reproduction time period to the specific program and 9 allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth for a preceding 10 time period immediately before the reproduction time period to 11 the specific program and the other part of the broadcasting 12 bandwidth to other program; and 13 a transmission step, in accordance with the result of allotment 14 in the allotment step, for (a) repeatedly transmitting program 15 data of the other program while transmitting program data of 16 the specific program in the preceding time period, and (b) 17 repeatedly transmitting the program data of the specific 18

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program in the reproduction time period.

and the second specific program, the first time period and the

second time period are included in a total time period between a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data broadcasting program, and

(b) allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the first and the second specific programs and the other part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the data broadcasting program for all of time periods other than the first and the second time periods in the total time period;

an instruction generation step for generating a first storage instruction and a second storage instruction that instruct the receiving apparatus to store a program data for the first specific program and a program data for the second specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction and a second reproduction instruction that instruct a receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program, respectively, in case that the program data for the second specific program and the program data for the second specific program have been stored in the storing unit, and

a transmission step for transmitting (a) a plurality of the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b) the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first time period, (c) a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, and (d) the second reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time period, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of each

- 38 of the data broadcasting program, the fist specific program,
- 39 and the second specific program in accordance with the result
- 40 of allotment in the allotment step.
  - 1 34. A program recording medium which is readable for a
  - 2 computer in a broadcasting apparatus, the broadcasting
- 3 apparatus transmits a data broadcasting program and a first and
- ${f 4}$  a second specific programs which are interposed in the data
- ${f 5}$  broadcasting program, the computer program embodied on the
- 6 program recording medium has the computer conduct the steps of:
- 7 an allotment step for
- 8 (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time
  - $\boldsymbol{9}$   $\,\,$  period and a second time period to the first specific program
- $10\,$   $\,$  and the second specific program, the first time period and the
- 11 second time period are included in a total time period between
- 12 a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data
- 13 broadcasting program, and
- (b) allotting (1) a broadcasting bandwidth to the data
- 15 broadcasting data program in the total time period except for
- 16 the first time period and the second time period, (2) a part
- 17 of the broadcasting bandwidth to the first specific program for
- 18 a time period preceding to the first time period in the total
- 19 time period, and (3) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to
- 20 the second specific program for a time period preceding to the
- 21 second time period in the total time period;
- 22 an instruction generation step for generating a first
- 23 storage instruction and a second storage instruction that

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24 instruct a receiving apparatus to store a program data for the 25 first specific program and a program data for the second 26 specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, 27 respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction and a second reproduction instruction that instruct the 28 receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first 29 30 specific program and the program data for the second specific program, respectively, in case that the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program have been stored in the storing unit; and a transmission step for transmitting (a)a plurality of the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b) a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, (c) the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first time period, and (d)the second 39 reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time

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2 computer in a broadcasting apparatus, the broadcasting

of allotment in the allotment step.

3 apparatus transmits a program block which is composed of a data

period, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of each

of the data broadcasting program, the fist specific program,

and the second specific program in accordance with the result

4 broadcasting program and a program or two or more successive

5 programs which are interposed in the data broadcasting program,

6 wherein a reproduction time period between a starting time and

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a finishing time is specified to each of the data broadcasting 7 program and programs included in the program block, the computer 8 program embodied on the program recording medium has the 9 computer conduct the steps of: 10

an allotment step for

(a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth from a first time to the starting time of the reproduction time period of the leading program included in the specific program block to the data broadcasting program and all of the programs included in the specific program block, and

(b) allotting the broadcasting bandwidth for a reproduction time period of each program included in the specific program block to the program and the following programs included in the same program block,

wherein the first time is a time in the reproduction time period of the data broadcasting program and which satisfies a condition so as not to interpose the other program blocks between the first time and the specific program block;

an instruction generation step for generating a storage instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to store a program data of each program included in the specific program block in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, and generating a reproduction instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data, in case that the program data of each program has been stored in the storing unit:

a transmission step for transmitting a plurality of the

storage instructions for each program included in the specific 34 program block before the starting time of the reproduction time 35 period of the program, and transmitting the reproduction 36 instruction for the program at the starting time of the 37 reproduction time period of the program, while repeatedly 38 transmitting the program data of the data broadcasting program 39 and each program included in the specific program block in 40 accordance with the result of allotment in the allotment step.

A program that is readable for a computer in a broadcasting 36. apparatus, the broadcasting apparatus broadcasts a specific program to which a reproduction time period between a starting time and finishing time is specified, the reproduction being performed by a receiving apparatus, the program has the computer conduct the steps of:

an allotment step for allotting a broadcasting bandwidth 7 for the reproduction time period to the specific program and 8 allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth for a preceding 9 time period immediately before the reproduction time period to 10 the specific program and the other part of the broadcasting 11 bandwidth to other program; and 12 a transmission step, in accordance with the result of allotment 13 in the allotment step, for (a) repeatedly transmitting program 14 data of the other program while transmitting program data of 15 the specific program in the preceding time period, and (b) 16 repeatedly transmitting the program data of the specific 17 program in the reproduction time period. 18

37. A program that is readable for a computer in a broadcasting

- 2 apparatus, the broadcasting apparatus transmits a data
- 3 broadcasting program and a first and a second specific programs
- 4 which are interposed in the data broadcasting program, the
- 5 program has the computer conduct the steps of:
  - an allotment step for
  - (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time period and a second time period to the first specific program and the second specific program, the first time period and the second time period are included in a total time period between a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data broadcasting program, and
  - (b) allotting a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the first and the second specific programs and the other part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the data broadcasting program for all of time periods other than the first and the second time periods in the total time period;

an instruction generation step for generating a first storage instruction and a second storage instruction that instruct the receiving apparatus to store a program data for the first specific program and a program data for the second specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction and a second reproduction instruction that instruct a receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program,

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respectively, in case that the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program have been stored in the storing unit; and

a transmission step for transmitting (a)a plurality of the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b) the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first time period, (c)a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, and (d) the second reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time period, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of each of the data broadcasting program, the fist specific program, and the second specific program in accordance with the result of allotment in the allotment step.

A program that is readable for a computer in a broadcasting apparatus, the broadcasting apparatus transmits a data broadcasting program and a first and a second specific programs which are interposed in the data broadcasting program, the program has the computer conduct the steps of:

an allotment step for 6

(a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth for a first time period and a second time period to the first specific program and the second specific program, the first time period and the second time period are included in a total time period between a starting time and a finishing time for broadcasting the data broadcasting program, and

(b) allotting (1) a broadcasting bandwidth to the data

broadcasting data program in the total time period except for the first time period and the second time period, (2) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the first specific program for a time period preceding to the first time period in the total time period, and (3) a part of the broadcasting bandwidth to the second specific program for a time period preceding to the second time period in the total time period;

an instruction generation step for generating a first storage instruction and a second storage instruction that instruct a receiving apparatus to store a program data for the first specific program and a program data for the second specific program in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, respectively, and generating a first reproduction instruction and a second reproduction instruction that instruct the receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program, respectively, in case that the program data for the first specific program and the program data for the second specific program have been stored in the storing unit; and a transmission step for transmitting (a)a plurality of

the first storage instructions before the first time period, (b) a plurality of the second storage instructions before the second time period, (c) the first reproduction instruction at the starting time of the first time period, and (d) the second reproduction instruction at the starting time of the second time period, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of each of the data broadcasting program, the first specific program,

- 41 and the second specific program in accordance with the result
- 42 of allotment in the allotment step.
- 1 39. A program that is readable for a computer in a broadcasting
- 2 apparatus, the broadcasting apparatus transmits a program block
- 3 which is composed of a data broadcasting program and a program
- 4 or two or more successive programs which are interposed in the
- 5 data broadcasting program, wherein a reproduction time period
- 6 between a starting time and a finishing time is specified to
  - each of the data broadcasting program and programs included in
- 8 the program block, the program has the computer conduct the
- 8 the program block, the program has the compasse
- 9 steps of:
  - an allotment step for
  - (a) allotting a broadcasting bandwidth from a first time
    - to the starting time of the reproduction time period of the leading program included in the specific program block to the
  - leading program included in the specific program block to the data broadcasting program and all of the programs included in
  - 15 the specific program block, and
- 16 (b) allotting the broadcasting bandwidth for a
- 17 reproduction time period of each program included in the
- 18 specific program block to the program and the following programs
- 19 included in the same program block,
- 20 wherein the first time is a time in the reproduction time
- 21 period of the data broadcasting program and which satisfies a
- ${f 22}$  condition so as not to interpose the other program blocks
- 23 between the first time and the specific program block;
- 24 an instruction generation step for generating a storage

instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to store a program data of each program included in the specific program block in a storing unit in the receiving apparatus, and generating a reproduction instruction that instructs the receiving apparatus to reproduce the program data, in case that the program data of each program has been stored in the storing unit;

a transmission step for transmitting a plurality of the storage instructions for each program included in the specific program block before the starting time of the reproduction time period of the program, and transmitting the reproduction instruction for the program at the starting time of the reproduction time period of the program, while repeatedly transmitting the program data of the data broadcasting program and each program included in the specific program block in accordance with the result of allotment in the allotment step.